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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:18 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 23, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1617.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CABIN USER FEE FAIRNESS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization concluded hearings on S. 1938, to provide for the return of fair and reasonable fees to the Federal Government for the use and occupancy of National Forest System land under the recreation residence program, after receiving testimony from Paul Brouha, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; David R. Mead, Sawtooth Forest Cabin Owners' Association, Twin Falls, Idaho; Mary Clarke Ver Hoef, National Forest Homeowners, Sacramento, California; Paul R. Allman, American Land Rights Association, and Richard M. Betts, Betts and Associates, both of Berkeley, California; and Joe Corlett, Mountain States Appraisal and Consulting, Inc., Boise, Idaho.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, after receiving testimony from James Lyons, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Mike Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service, both of the Department of Agriculture.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense and the Future Years Defense Program, focusing on tactical aviation, after receiving testimony from H. Lee Buchanan, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Lawrence J. Delaney, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition; and Philip E. Coyle, III, Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense.

ELECTRONIC AND EQUITY FINANCIAL MARKETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities concluded hearings to examine electronic communications networks and brokerage firms efforts to meet investors' needs in the equity financial marketplace of the future, after receiving testimony from J. Joe Ricketts, Ameritrade Holding Corporation, Omaha, Nebraska; Matthew Andresen, Island ECN, and Kevin Foley, Bloomberg Tradebook, both of New York, New York; David G. Downey, Interactive Brokers, and Gerald Putnam, Archipelago, both of Chicago, Illinois; and John M. Schaible, NexTrade Holdings, Inc., Clearwater, Florida.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Susan Ness, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Sarbanes and Mikulski, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NASA MANAGEMENT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space held hearings to examine recent program and management issues at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, receiving testimony from Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator, Harry McDonald, Director, Ames Research Center, Tony Spear, Task Leader, and Arthur G. Stephenson, Director, George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, all of NASA; and Allen Li, Associate Director, Defense Acquisitions Issues, National Security and International Affairs Division, General Accounting Office.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

WATER AND POWER

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings

on H.R. 862, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement the provisions of the Agreement conveying title to a Distribution System from the United States to the Clear Creek Community Services District, H.R. 992, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District, H.R. 1235, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Solano County Water Agency, California, to use Solano Project facilities for impounding, storage, and carriage of non-project water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes, S. 2091 and H.R. 3077, bills to amend the Act that authorized construction of the San Luis Unit of the Central Valley Project, California, to facilitate water transfers in the Central Valley Project, and S. 1659, to convey the Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project, the Savage Unit of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and the Intake Irrigation Project to the appurtenant irrigation districts, after receiving testimony from Representatives Herger, Doolittle, George Miller, and Dooley; Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Walter P. McNeill, Clear Creek Community Services District, Anderson, California; Walter J. Bishop, Contra Costa Water District, Concord, California; Steven Malloch, Trout Unlimited, Inc., Arlington, Virginia; Daniel G. Nelson, San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority, Los Banos, California; and Jerry Nypen, Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Projects, Sidney, Montana.

MEDICARE REFORM: PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed hearings to examine the inclusion of a prescription drug benefit in the Medicare program, focusing on current and supplemental drug coverage, beneficiary income spending, benefit design, and cost controls, receiving testimony from Jennifer O'Sullivan, Specialist in Social Legislation, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Edwin C. Hustead, Hay Group, on behalf of the Congressional Research Service, Alan F. Holmer, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, Charles N. Kahn, III, Health Insurance Association of America, and Deborah Briceland-Betts, Older Women's League, all of Washington, D.C.; and Alan B. Levin, Happy Harry's, Inc., Newark, Delaware, on behalf of the National Association of Chain Drug Stores.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, March 28.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine the impact of United Nations sanctions and United States policy on Iraq, focusing on the proposed United Nations Resolution 1284 which re-affirms that Iraq has not fulfilled its obligation under previous Security Council resolutions to declare and destroy its weapons of mass destruction, receiving testimony from Edward S. Walker, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; Gary Milhollin, Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control, and Paul Leventhal, Nuclear Control Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Charles Duelfer, UNSCOM, New York, New York.

DOE GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANTS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the Department of Energy's management of health and safety issues surrounding the DOE's gaseous diffusion plants at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and Piketon, Ohio, after receiving testimony from David Michaels, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environment, Safety and Health; Jeffery B. Walburn, Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant, Greenup, Kentucky; Steven B. Markowitz, City University of New York Queens College Center for the Biology of Natural Systems, Flushing, New York; Vikki Hatfield, Kingston, Tennessee; Ann H. Orick, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Sam Ray, Lucasville, Ohio.

ANTITRUST ENFORCEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition concluded oversight hearings on certain antitrust enforcement issues, after receiving testimony from Robert Pitofsky, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; and Joel I. Klein, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee held hearings to examine certain constitutional issues surrounding campaign finance reform, including certain contributions made to a political party that do not come within the current limits and restrictions imposed by the Federal Election Campaign Act, and "phony issue ads", receiving testimony from Ira Glasser, American Civil Liberties Union, and Deborah Goldberg, NYU School of Law Brennan Center for Justice, both of New York, New York; Joel M. Gora, Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, New York; Kathleen M. Sullivan, Stanford University Law School, Stanford, California; Lillian R. BeVier, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville;

and Alan B. Morrison, Public Citizen Litigation Group, Washington, D.C.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1315, to permit the leasing of oil and gas rights on certain lands held in trust for the Navajo Nation or allotted to a member of the Navajo Nation, in any case in which there is consent from a specified percentage interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1586, to reduce the fractionated ownership of Indian Lands, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NOMINATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Thomas N. Slonaker, of Arizona, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Kyl, testified and answered questions in his own behalf. Testimony was also received from Charles Tillman, Inter-Tribal Monitoring Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.